

## NORTHERN PIEDMONT

# Beginning Farmer 2014

Cost of series is \$150

To register, send check made payable to:

**Fauquier Education Farm**

c/o VCE-Fauquier

24 Pelham Street

Warrenton, VA 20186

**All classes to be held at**

**Middleburg Agriculture Research & Extension Center**

**5527 Sullivans Mill Road**

**Middleburg, VA 22117**

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*Are you thinking of starting a production farm or of diversifying an existing farm?* If you answered yes then join us this spring to work with local educators, producers, and industry leaders to explore those questions and evaluate your farming future.

The Northern Piedmont Beginning Farmer Program (NPBFP) is a multi-class initiative to help aspiring and diversifying farmers make informed decisions about a new operation. NPBFP uses curriculum compiled by VA Tech and Virginia Cooperative Extension (VCE).

The program's focus is on:

- Introduction to Whole Farm Planning
- Marketing
- Introduction to Farm Business Management

NPBFP is one of several members of the Virginia Beginning Farmer & Rancher Coalition sponsored by the Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program (BFRDP) of the USDA-National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) Award # 2010-49400. Coalition program activity is also funded, in part, with an integrated, competitive grant from VAES, VCE, and the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Virginia Tech. [www.vabeginningfarmer.org](http://www.vabeginningfarmer.org)



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Class dates are:

**April- 3, 17**

**May -1, 15, 22, 29**

**June -5, 19**

Class Time: **7-9 p.m.**

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\*TDD number is (800) 828-1120.

The Virginia Beginning Farmer & Rancher Coalition formed to as a way to more effectively address start-up needs of Virginia's beginning farmers and rancher communities by offering high quality outreach, education, training and resource support. The Coalition acts as an umbrella network of organizations to assist in the development and enhancement of whole farming planning programs, and online resource learning.